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TBI Steering Committee

March 6, 2008, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Present: Adele Edelman, Samantha Baraw, Glen McClintock, Diane Bogdan, Trevor Squirrell, and Ted Stachulski.

I. Introductions

The meeting opened at 1:00 p.m. No announcements.

II. Admission/Discharges

- (1.) For TBI Program: Admissions were presented for approval (DF, LW, and KB). All were approved for the TBI Program. One denial was presented for approval (SK). SK was approved to be denied services, but appropriate referrals made.
- (2.) Admission/Discharge Issues: It was discussed that it can be time consuming to email out all the admissions and discharges and coordinate responses and some members don't feel comfortable in making diagnoses and decisions. Adele asked how the steering committee would feel about the TBI Program only bringing the complex cases and denials to them for approval. Diane requested that there be a standing item on the agenda to just advise the group of new admissions so they could get a feel for the type of people that we're approving for services. This was agreeable.

III. Partnership Reapplication / Leahy Earmark

The Partnership reapplication was submitted last week. Glen will send a copy of the Partnership Grant to the committee. The application showed what we accomplished what we're going to be doing, etc. Without the carryover money, we are at full capacity. If we receive the carryover money, we're working on the resource mapping project and some others.

Re: earmark- The goal is to fund 5 additional Neuro Resource Facilitators (NRF) and give focus to employment. We asked for \$250K for the next 4 years. It was submitted this morning.

IV. TBI Conference Update

The conference will be October 29th at the Hilton in Burlington. There is no theme. Trevor will send a copy of the spreadsheet to the committee. They have built a nice conference committee and have great ideas. They want to have a survivor as keynote and a survivor panel. They're going through the budget and fees. There have been some adjustments to fees.

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V. Meeting with Peter Welch

The meeting with Ted, Erin, Glen, and Trevor was on Tuesday, March 4. Mr. Welch was well informed of the issues prior to the meeting. They discussed the partnership grant, the bill regarding the increase to the DMV fees, the assessments and the GWOTS not being clinicians, and I/R services.

VI. Updating Operational Guidelines and Role of Steering Committee

The group would like the role to be discussed at the next meeting.

VII. Public Comments

No public comment.

Meeting adjourned 2:01 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings:

The next TBI Steering Committee meeting will be held on April 10th from 1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m. at Weeks Building first floor porch (1A), Waterbury State Complex.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Bogdan
Chair